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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 19, 2006, applicant elects the claims of Group II, comprising claims 11-15.

Respectfully submitted,

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